

FACT SHEET
FORMER VICKERS FACILITY
PROPOSED HAZARDOUS WASTE PERMIT MODIFICATIONS

The Missouri Department of Natural Resources (department) is proposing modifications to the Missouri Hazardous Waste Management Facility (MHWMF) Part I Permit for the former Vickers facility located at 2800 West Tenth St. in Joplin. Eaton Hydraulics, Incorporated (Eaton), as the current owner, and Unisys Corporation (Unisys), as the current operator, are jointly responsible as the "Permittee" for the activities required by the MHWMF Part I Permit. The public is invited to review and offer written comments on the proposed permit modifications from now until June 29, 2006.

The former Vickers facility is presently inactive, as far as manufacturing is concerned. The facility was a manufacturing plant that produced piston and gear hydraulic pumps, motors, hydrostatic transmissions, and power steering boosters for industrial and agricultural uses from 1952 to 1987. Past activities at the facility produced spent solvents, waste oils, paint residues, metal plating wastes, corrosives, scrap metals, cyanides, and spent kolene salts. The site had been mined for lead and zinc before construction of the facility.

The facility includes two impoundments that closed as a landfill with waste in place, and other solid waste management units. Current activities at the facility are carried out under a MHWMF Part I permit. The MHWMF Part I permit requires post-closure care, including groundwater monitoring and corrective action for the two impoundments, and implementation of a site-wide corrective action program to address releases from other Solid Waste Management Units and Areas of Concern. Current activities include operation and maintenance of the groundwater monitoring system and operation of a collection and treatment system for dissolved-phase volatile organic compounds (VOCs) and light non-aqueous phase liquids (LNAPLs) in groundwater.

The proposed permit modifications are available on the department's Web site at www.dnr.mo.gov/env/hwp/permits/notices.htm. Supporting documents are not available on the department's Web site due to their size. The public can review and copy the proposed permit modifications and supporting documents at the following locations:

Joplin Public Library
300 South Main St.
Joplin, Missouri

Hours: 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.---Monday and Thursday
9 a.m. to 6 p.m.---Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday
1 p.m. to 5 p.m.---Sunday

by appointment at either of the following department offices:

Southwest Regional Office
2040 W. Woodland
Springfield, Missouri
Phone: (417) 891-4300

Hazardous Waste Program
1738 East Elm St. (lower level)
Jefferson City, Missouri
Phone: (573) 522-3345

As mentioned before, the public is invited to review and offer written comments on the proposed permit modifications from now until June 29, 2006. Only the conditions being modified are open for public comment. All other conditions of the existing permit will remain in effect until the permit is reissued or additional modifications are proposed. Comments are most effective if they point out specific legal or technical issues related to the proposed permit modifications. Please send written comments on the proposed permit modifications to:

Richard A. Nussbaum, P.E., R.G.
Missouri Department of Natural Resources
Hazardous Waste Program
P.O. Box 176
Jefferson City, MO 65102-0176

During the public comment period, anyone may request a public hearing on the proposed permit modifications by writing to Mr. Nussbaum at the above address. The hearing request must state what issues are to be brought up during the hearing. At the end of the public comment period, the department will review all written comments and any comments brought up at the public hearing, if one was held. The department may revise or withdraw the proposed permit modifications based on technical or legal issues brought up in the comments. The department will write a summary and response to all comments and explain how each comment was addressed as part of the final permit modification action. The department will send a copy of the final permit modification action and summary and response to comments to the offices listed above. The department will mail a copy of the summary and response to comments to everyone who submitted written comments. The department will also mail a notification letter to everyone on the facility mailing list.

Anyone may call or write Mr. Nussbaum at any time to request to have his or her name placed on the facility's mailing list. By doing this, they will receive notice from the department or facility on any major permitting and cleanup activities at the facility.

For more information, call Mr. Nussbaum at (573) 751-3553 or 1-800-361-4827. Hearing and speech-impaired persons may reach Mr. Nussbaum through Relay Missouri at 1-800-735-2966. To reach a facility representative, please contact Mr. Keith B. Rapp, Program Manager, Unisys Corporate Environmental Affairs, 3199 Pilot Knob Rd. - M/S F1B05, Eagan, MN 55121-1328. Mr. Rapp can also be contacted by telephone at (651) 687-3279 or by e-mail at keith.rapp@unisys.com.